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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

: Examiner: J. Hartary

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: Group Art Unit: 2853

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 13, 1999 for three (3) months from December 13, 1999 to March 13, 2000.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 870.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to

Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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